

## Susan Morse

Susan Morse is the founder and science director of Keeping Track, a Vermont-based nonprofit that has helped biologists, state agencies, citizen scientist volunteers, land trusts, and other conservation planners across North America identify and conserve key wildlife habitat. Data collected by Keeping Track teams have led to the conservation of more than 40,000 acres of habitat in 12 states and Quebec.

Sue is highly regarded as an expert in natural history and one of the top wildlife field scientists in North America. Since 1977, she has been monitoring wildlife with an emphasis on documenting the presence and habitat requirements of bobcat, black bear, Canada lynx, cougar and caribou. She has given hundreds of technical workshops to a wide range of audiences, including the general public, conservation leaders and professional biologists.

Sue also manages her own forestry consulting business, is a highly skilled wildlife photographer, and writes natural science features and a regular column for *Northern Woodlands* magazine. She has written several books, among them *Wildlife and Habitats*, published by Keeping Track, as well as *A Guide to Recognizing the Florida Panther, Its Tracks and Sign*. She has won multiple awards, including the Franklin Fairbanks Award for lifelong work enriching the awareness and understanding of the natural world among New England residents. The Adirondack Council honored Sue and Keeping Track for decades of conservation achievements in the Lake Champlain Basin, and Unity College presented her with its Environmental Leader Award.

Sue lives in Jericho, Vermont, alongside a rich and diverse forest she helped to conserve. Part of one of Vermont's key forest blocks, it serves as a living laboratory for her own wildlife research and a training ground for Keeping Track monitoring teams.